

2000 Fruit Summary

Weather related factors limited West Virginia's apple and peach crops. Freezing temperatures and hail damage were reported in mid-April. Drought-like conditions in 1999 further stressed the apples trees and reduced bloom. Rains in the latter part of the growing season helped to size some apples, but overall production dropped 50 million from the 1999 crop. Total apple production, at 90 million pounds, is the lowest estimated level since the 1945 crop, at 81.6 million pounds.

Total peach production, at 7 million pounds, was off 5.6 million pounds from the previous year. This is the lowest level since 1994 when no significant commercial production was reported.

Nationally, total apple production was estimated at 10.6 billion pounds, slightly less than 1999. Total peach production (including California Clingstone) was estimated at 2.61 billion pounds, up 3 percent from the previous year.

COMMERCIAL APPLES: Production and Value, 1991-2000

Year	Production						Price Per Pound	Value of Utilized Production
	Bearing Acreage	Yield Per Acre	Total	Unharvested Production	Harvested Not Sold	Utilized Production		
	Acres	Lbs.	Million Pounds				Cents	(000) Dollars
1991	13,100	15,300	200.0	-	-	195.0	9.9	19,385
1992	13,100	17,200	225.0	5.0	-	220.0	8.3	18,180
1993	13,100	14,500	190.0	15.0	-	175.0	8.2	14,380
1994	10,000	15,000	150.0	5.0	-	145.0	9.5	13,785
1995	10,000	16,500	165.0	9.0	1.0	155.0	11.0	17,085
1996	9,000	11,700	105.0	4.0	1.0	100.0	11.1	11,100
1997	8,000	14,400	115.0	3.0	2.0	110.0	10.3	11,300
1998	8,000	13,800	110.0	2.0	1.0	107.0	9.0*	9,678*
1999	8,000	17,500*	140.0*	5.0*	-	135.0*	9.3*	12,505*
2000	7,000	12,900	90.0	2.0	-	88.0	10.2	8,949

*Revised.

COMMERCIAL APPLES: Processed Utilization and Value, 1991-1999

Year	Utilization of Sales									
	Quantity Fresh Market	Fresh Market Price Per Pound	Fresh Market Value of Production	Quantity Processed	All Processed Price Per Ton	Canned	Canned Price/Ton	Juice	Juice Price/Ton	Processed Value of Production
	Mill.Lbs.	Cents	(000)Dols.	Mill.Lbs.	Dollars	Mill.Lbs.	Dollars	Mill.Lbs.	Dollars	(000)Dols.
1991	55.0	15.9	8,745	140	152	83.0	159	43.0	134	10,640
1992	35.0	16.0	5,600	185	136	108.5	141	39.0	136	12,580
1993	40.0	15.7	6,280	135	120	88.0	130	36.5	84	8,100
1994	35.0	17.7	6,195	110	138	72.2	151	25.3	92	7,590
1995	40.0	22.3	8,920	115	142	72.0	152	32.0	116	8,165
1996	20.0	19.1	3,820	80	182	45.0	194	22.0	142	7,280
1997	20.0	18.7	3,740	90	168	-	-	-	-	7,560
1998	17.0	15.9	2,703	90	155	-	-	-	-	6,975*
1999	20.0	21.7	4,340	115	142	-	-	40.0	92	8,165

*Revised.

PEACHES: Production and Value, 1991-2000

Year	Production						Price Per Pound	Value of Utilized Production
	Bearing Acreage	Yield Per Acre	Total	Unharvested Production	Harvested Not Sold	Utilized Production		
	Acres	Lbs.	-----Million Pounds-----				Cents	(000) Dols.
1991	2,700	6,670	18.0	2.7	2.3	13.0	14.3	1,865
1992	2,700	7,410	20.0	0.3	1.4	18.3	15.5	2,843
1993	2,700	6,670	18.0	0.7	0.7	16.6	14.7	2,442
1994 ^{1/}	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1995	2,000	9,000	18.0	1.0	0.5	16.5	22.4	3,700
1996	1,800	8,890	16.0	0.3	0.2	15.5	36.9	5,726
1997	1,300	8,460	11.0	0.3	0.2	10.5	29.3	3,080
1998	1,300	9,770*	12.7*	0.3*	-	12.4	26.4	3,270
1999	1,300	9,690*	12.6*	0.2*	0.1*	12.3	30.2*	3,716*
2000	1,200	5,830	7.0	-	-	7.0	25.6	1,795

^{1/} No significant commercial production due to frost. *Revised.